

La Peña Cultural Center
3105 Shattuck Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94705
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La Peña Cultural Center

Administrative Office Hours
Monday - Friday, 10am - 5pm
(510) 849-2568
(press ext. 4 for program info.)
(press *2 for staff directory)
email: info@lapena.org / www.lapena.org

La Tienda Day Box Office

FOR ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY
Tuesday - Friday, 1 - 6pm
(510) 849-2568 ext. 20 or www.lapena.org

Café Valparaíso at La Peña

The Café is an independently operated family business run by Pablo and Miriam Valenzuela.

Regular Hours of Operation:
Wed. & Thu.: 5:30pm-9:30pm
Fridays: 11am-10:30pm
Saturdays: 11am-10:30pm
Sundays: 11am-9:30pm
Phone/fax (510) 841-3800



La Peña disclaimer: Since 1975, more than 1,000 community groups have used La Peña's space. The use of our space does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña believes that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion & understanding among different peoples & points of view.

* Indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that La Peña discount cards are not valid.
Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible.

Two-Month Calendar

(See back for February 2011)

Help Us Go GREEN!

If you prefer emails instead of paper, let us know at ArtAndActivism@lapena.org



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La Peña Cultural Center • Calendar of Events • January 2011

SEE FEBRUARY 2011 ON THE BACK

DO NOT MISS! Adelina Anthony's La Hocicon Series



1/28: La Angry Xicana?! 1/29: La Sad Girl... 1/30: La Chismosa!!!



Vukani Mawethu 1/22



Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble of San Francisco 1/8

SATURDAY

CLOSED

Café Valparaíso and
La Peña Cultural Center
wish you all
a Happy New Year!

We look forward to your
continued support in 2011.



Gracie Coates 1/6



Eva Ma 1/14

Los Amiguitos de La Peña Saturday Morning Children's Programs

10:30am \$5 adults, \$4 children

Our morning programs expose children to
live performances & music as well as to
artists who reflect the diversity around us.



Saturday, Jan. 15:
Earthcapades.
An exciting
combination of
juggling, music,
circus skills,
storytelling,
comedy, audience
participation, and
lots of respect for
the Earth.

Saturday, Jan. 22: **The Rubinoos Junior
Show is Back!**



By popular demand the Berkeley Pop
Legends are back for an encore
performance of their wacky children's
show. Performing fun material for the
young and the young at heart.

SUNDAY

2 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

CHECK LA PEÑA'S
WEB SITE FOR MORE
INFORMATION AND
UP-TO-THE-MINUTE
PROGRAMMING
WWW.LAPENA.ORG

9 CAFEVALPARAÍSO OPEN

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Arts Commission, Kaiser Permanente
Thrive, National Endowment for the Arts,
San Francisco Foundation, Vanguard
Foundation, Zellerbach Family Fund,
Firedoll Foundation, and all of our
generous individual donors.

16 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

Anarchists Against the Wall

An Israeli direct action organization
working in cooperation with
Palestinians. Join us for a
presentation detailing the joint
popular struggle against
the occupation.

7pm \$10-\$20 sliding scale*
No one turned away for
lack of funds

23 MEXICAN MUSIC TARDEADA 3-6PM

A creative mix of passion, humor and
change. Stagebridge Theater
Company presents an afternoon of

Politically Incorrect Stories

You will hear unapologetic stories
that don't shrink back from issues
that have sparked controversy and
brought transformation.

3:30pm \$12 gen.
\$10 seniors & students w/ID

30 LA HOCICONA SERIES

La Chismosa!!!

Adelina Anthony brings the
3-part set cycle full circle as she
takes up even more hilarious
stereotypes & even creates new
ones! Migratory border issues,
the juxtaposition of
Xicana-Indigeneity with pop
culture, Facebook chisme, and a
provocative look at sexuality.
7pm \$15 adv. \$20 dr.
Post show discussion.

WEDNESDAY

5 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN

Advance Ticket Information:
Advance sale tickets are available
for a select number of programs.
Tickets may be purchased online at
www.lapena.org. Advance tickets
DO NOT guarantee a seat.
People with special needs should
call (510) 849-2568 ext. 20.
Please arrive 1/2 hour prior to
show time.

THURSDAY

6 CONCERT

Gracie Coates

Singer-songwriter and pianist
Gracie Coates performs
all-original songs of insight, politics,
love, and loss. Accompanied by a
dynamic band incorporating violin
& saxophone, this is a rare full evening
of music by a bold, young voice.
Gracie Coates Live was recorded
in Berkeley.
8pm \$10

FRIDAY

7 CONCERT

My Life Is a Party

G-Eazy

live in concert

9:30pm \$10 adv. \$12 dr.*

8 CONCERT

Latin Jazz Youth Ensemble of San Francisco

a performing group of talented
musicians ages 10 to 18. Their
repertoire features Latin jazz classics
and original compositions.
7:30pm \$10

12 CAFE SKEPTICS 7PM FREE

Check www.lapena.org for
up-to-the-minute programming



Joan Soriano 1/13

13 CONCERT

Joan Soriano

On tour from the Dominican
Republic, featuring music from his
El Duque de la Bachata recording.
"Soriano's music is gorgeous. He
displays an emotionally powerful
voice, versatility with bachata's classic
style of guitar playing, and compelling
original compositions about love and
loss." - Deborah Pacini Hernandez,
author "Bachata: a social history"
8pm \$18 adv. \$20 dr.

14 FLAMENCO

Soul of Flamenco

A multi-media show, traditional
Flamenco cuadro plus two
experimental video shorts made in
Jerez de la Frontera, Spain.
Cuadro artists: Eva Ma & Pamela
Martinez (dance), Azriel el
Moreno (cante) and Geoff Hawkins
(guitar). Video artists:
Eve A. Ma, Antonio
de la Malena (the cantao)
8pm \$12 adv. \$15 dr.

15 EARTHCAPADES 10:30AM

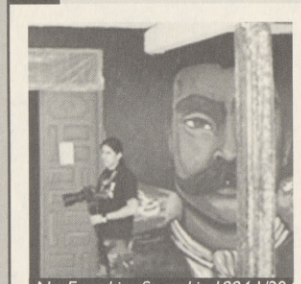
Cuban Solidarity Event Gracias a Cuba! Thank you Cuba!

Panel discussion & film honoring
Cuba's contribution to the world.

7:30pm \$10-\$15 sliding scale*
No one turned away for lack of funds
(partial benefit for La Peña)

Celebrate People's History: Poster Exhibit
Opening in the Theater • 3:30-5pm

19 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN



Not Everything Started in 1994 1/20

20 FILM AND CONCERT

Bang Data

live at La Peña

Film screening and live concert in
support of *Not Everything Started in
1994*, a documentary film about the
Zapatista Army of National Liberation
in Mexico. Filmmaker Raul Varela
will present selections from the film
and musical guest Bang Data will
play an acoustic set from their
new album *Maldito Carnaval*.
8:30pm \$13-\$20 sliding scale*

21 LOW RIDER ERA

Love:Through Deviant Ears

A collective queer retelling of
Low Rider Era love song narratives;
part oldies love song, part old school
dedication show. This performance
honors queer love in all of it's simple
beauty and complex locura.

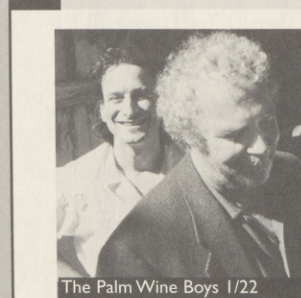
8pm \$15 gen.
\$12 students w/ID

22 THE RUBINOOS 10:30AM

Vukani Mawethu & The Palm Wine Boys

Vukani Mawethu is a multiracial choir
which sings the freedom songs of
South Africa, gospel, spirituals,
labor & civil rights songs linking
people around the world.
Intertwining guitars, simple catchy
rhythms, & harmonizing voices, the
Palm Wine Boys bring the audience
something to sit back and enjoy.
8pm \$18 adv. \$20 dr.

26 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN



The Palm Wine Boys 1/22

27 CAFE VALPARAÍSO OPEN



28 ADELINA ANTHONY

La Hocicon Series
An original X-X-Xicana comedic triptych of scandalous proportions! Yes, an
unapologetic Xicana in 3 solo back-to-back comedy shows. Written & performed
by Adelina Anthony. Directed by D'Lo. Fri. & Sat. @ 8pm. Sun. @ 7pm with a post
show discussion \$15 adv. \$20 dr. (\$35 Deal for all 3 shows online only!!!)

La Angry Xicana?!

A full-length comedy show that
features Adelina's trademark
salacious, brazen, Spanglish humor &
flirts with all kinds of cultural taboos.

29 ADELINA ANTHONY

La Sad Girl...
From ultra-dramatic break-ups to good
old fashioned BDSM, Adelina turns the
political tables on anti-immigration,
homophobia, & Xicanas who date by tribe,
while keeping up with her therapy sessions.

LA PEÑA'S ART EXHIBITS JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2011

In the Café, Jan. 5 - Jan. 30: **'Onipa'a**. Artwork by Nate Detto, focusing
on the culture, history, and environmental degradation of the Hawaiian Islands.
With hundreds of plants and animals listed as endangered or threatened (more
endangered species per square mile than in any other place on the planet),
Hawaii is the endangered species capital of the world.

In the Theater, Jan. 5 - Feb. 27: **Celebrate People's History: Poster
Exhibition & Book Release**. Initiated by Josh MacPhee, this far-reaching
project uses poster art created by over ninety artists to document the hidden
history of social justice movements. More than 50 posters will be on display.
Reception and book release party: Saturday, January 15, 3:30-5pm.

In the Café, Feb. 2 - Feb. 28: **The Gauchos of Argentina**.
See February calendar on the back.

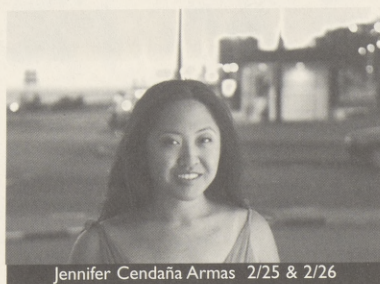


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(SEE JANUARY 2011 ON THE BACK)



Ana Ra'asa 2/6



Jennifer Cendaña Armas 2/25 & 2/26

SUNDAY

6 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

Ana Ra'asa

Ana Ra'asa is a theatrical show comprised of professional Bay Area dancers. An homage to the women who paved the way in Egyptian dance and the women of today's modern Belly Dance world. Come enjoy a world class show and experience the art of Belly Dance at it's best!
8pm \$15 adv. & students w/ID \$20 dr.

13 CONCERT OF MUSIC & POETRY

Annual

Pat Parker Tribute

Featuring Anastasia Dunham-Parker (Pat's daughter), Ava Square-Levias, Chelle & Friends, Blackberri, Mamacoatl, Melanie De More, Kaylah Marin, Tasha Kane band, Members of Modupue, and Avotcja.

7pm \$10-\$20 sliding scale* (Proceeds go to Pat's daughter)

20 NO RUMBA TODAY

All-Ages Music Symposium

A discussion amongst community members about the accessibility of event venues for people under 21 years old in order to develop a plan of action for the Bay Area Youth Music community. 4pm Free "AMP'd!" will be the after-party/concert for the All-Ages Music Symposium, celebrating the all-ages music movement. 9-12am \$TBD

27 MEXICANTARDEADA 3-6PM

Katia Cardenal

Katia Cardenal who use to tour with her late brother Salvador as Duo Guardabarranco shares her current repertoire which now includes the iconic song "Si Te Vas A San Francisco" (If you go to S.F.).

7:30pm \$22 adv. \$24 dr.

WEDNESDAY

2 SCIENCE CAFE 7PM FREE



Kerensa DeMars • Kina Mendez • 2/4

THURSDAY

3 CAFEVALPARAISO OPEN



Kerensa DeMars • Kina Mendez • 2/4

FRIDAY

4 FLAMENCO

Flamenco al Andaluz
An exploration of the links between Flamenco and North African music & dance presented by the Bay Area Flamenco Partnership. Featuring Gypsy singer from Jerez, Spain, **Kina Mendez**, Flamenco dancer **Kerensa DeMars** and the Moroccan dancers and musicians of **El Hamideen**.
8pm
\$20/\$30 adv. \$25/\$35 dr.

SATURDAY

5 IRA LEVIN 10:30AM

Concert

Tito y Su Son

A master of Cuban traditional music, Tito y Su Son perform rumba, guaracha, & son.

8pm \$13 adv. \$15 dr.

12 ALPHABET ROCKERS 10:30AM

Hip-hop, in many ways, reflects the broader patriarchal society.

Queendom

a fundraiser for GirlSource, places women at the center. Witness ladies representing all 4 elements-graf writing, breakin', MCing and DJing-as they always have.
9pm
\$10 gen. \$8 students w/ID

19 ASHEBA 10:30AM

Al Fanoon

A sultry, serpentine night of performance and visual art, poetry, song, and dance from the Arabian Gulf, Levant, and North Africa. Featuring Naima Shalhoub, Amir Rabiya, and more!!

8pm
\$10 adv. & students w/ID \$12 gen.

18 ALL-STYLES DANCE EVENT

DJ Rock Starr Presents...

The "Bodirock Culture Clash"

A monthly all-styles dance event. Featuring live DJs and performance showcases designed to promote Bay Area artists, and unify dancers from all genres & cultures. 3rd Fridays at La Peña. Doors open @ 6:30pm. Show starts at 8pm. \$7 Adults, \$4 Kids (12 & under). More info. at <bodirockculture@gmail.com>

26 ABBY & THE PIPSQUEAKS 10:30AM

February 25 & 26. La Peña presents solo artists Yadira De La Riva, Chelsea Gregory & Jennifer Cendaña Armas

in an evening of work exploring cultural identity and the conversations of race, immigration and popular culture. The performers will share excerpts of solo plays that use documentary theater, movement and poetry to connect personal experiences with political issues that affect diverse communities.

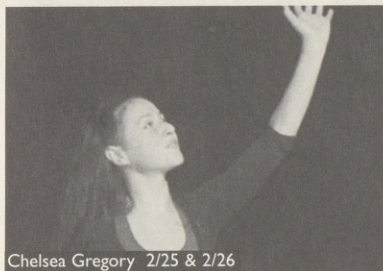
8pm \$12 gen. \$10 students w/ID



Tito y Su Son 2/5



DJ Rock Starr 2/18



Chelsea Gregory 2/25 & 2/26

Muchas Gracias!
Your generous support allows La Peña to fulfill our mission of promoting peace, social justice and cultural understanding through the arts, education and social action. Please donate securely online at: www.lapena.org

Support La Peña: Individual Donors Make a Difference! Please Support our 35th Anniversary year! No amount is too large or too small.
Your donations help La Peña continue its 35th year of programming concerts, exhibits, films, lectures, forums, poetry, classes, children's concerts, and supporting new and creative work. Think globally and act locally. Support your community based cultural center. We look forward to your continued support in 2011!

Los Amiguitos de La Peña Saturday Morning Children's Shows 10:30am \$5 adults, \$4 children



Sat., Feb. 5: Ira Levin

Whether escaping as Uncle Eye (*The Willy Wonka of children's music*), or time traveling with the Bugs Bunny surrealistic rock band Comfy Chair, Ira finds a way to bring an uplifting song into... oh... nine out of ten realities.

Sat., Feb. 12: Alphabet Rockers, a Parent's Choice Awardee, their hip hop educational songs will entertain the entire family.



Sat., Feb. 19: Asheba returns with his lively music from the warm Caribbean.

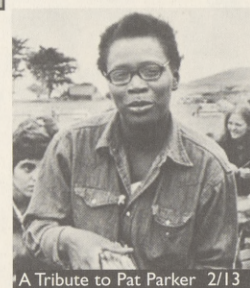


Sat., Feb. 26:

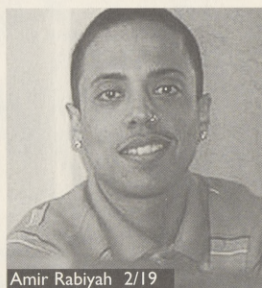
Join us for sing-along dance-along fun with 4-time award winners **Abby & The Pipsqueaks**. This show has music, comedy, puppetry, and more!



Naima Shalhoub 2/19



A Tribute to Pat Parker 2/13



Amir Rabiya 2/19

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS FUNDERS!

Alameda County Arts Commission, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, Ford Foundation, Gerbode Foundation, Kaiser Permanente Thrive, National Performance Network, The James Irvine Foundation, LIA Fund, National Endowment for the Arts, Nonprofit Finance Fund, San Francisco Foundation, Walter and Elise Haas Fund, William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, Vanguard Foundation, Zellerbach Family Fund and to our many generous individual donors.

Day Time Box Office Hours Change

Due to the deep economic recession, we are no longer offering La Tienda's day time box office services on Saturdays. La Tienda will still be open Tuesday-Friday from 1-6pm for purchasing advanced tickets. You can buy them in the following ways.

By Phone: Using your credit card. Call 510-849-2568 x20 Tuesday - Friday from 1-6pm. (There is a \$2 service charge per ticket). We will hold tickets at the will-call window where you can pick them up 30 minutes prior to show time.

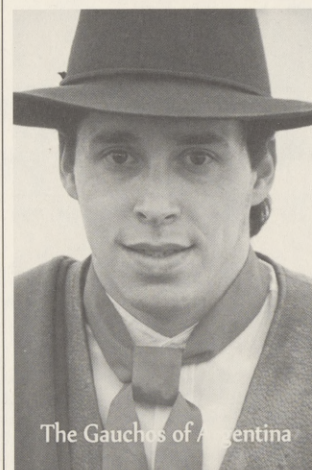
In Person: You can avoid the \$2 service charge by coming to La Tienda office to pay with cash or check, Tuesday - Friday from 1-6pm.

Online: We also sell tickets online through Brown Paper Tickets (brownpapertickets.com), a not-just-for-profit company. We will hold tickets at the will-call window where you can pick them up 30 min. prior to show time.

By Mail: Send a check at least 5 days prior to the event to La Peña Box Office, 3105 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley, CA 94705. Please include your name, number of tickets, day of the event, and a daytime phone number. You can pick them up at the will-call window 30 minutes prior to show time.

Having an advance ticket DOES NOT guarantee seating. For questions please call us at 510-849-2568 ext. 20, or info@lapena.org

LA PEÑA'S ART EXHIBIT FEBRUARY 2011



The Gauchos of Argentina

In the Café Valparaíso February 2 - February 28: The Gauchos of Argentina.

This series of intimate portraits of Argentine gauchos was made in 2008 by photographer **Barbara Lee** at the Tradition Day celebration in the Patagonian town of El Calafate. Gauchos young and old from all over Patagonia gathered at this festival to celebrate their proud heritage and remember Jose Hernandez, a gaucho poet and the national folk hero of Argentina. Each of these portraits reflects the fierce pride and passion of the gaucho.

A NEW CD? A NEW BOOK? A VERY SPECIAL EVENT? ADVERTISE HERE! IN OUR BIMONTHLY CALENDAR AND SUPPORT LA PEÑA

For rates call (510) 849-2568 x 15 or fena@lapena.org

La Peña Donors Make a Difference!

There is nothing like a good song, a beautiful dance or a warm meal with a friend to lighten up our hearts during difficult times, or to inspire us into action. La Peña is the place to provide you with all of that, and more.

Like many non-profit organizations, La Peña is feeling the effects of an ill economy. We are already tightening our belts, but with your support, we're confident we will ride out this crisis.

Since 1975, La Peña has provided artists and students opportunities to learn specific cultural traditions, and supported the development of new and socially engaging work.

Your contribution makes it possible to keep our doors open and fulfill on our mission of promoting peace, social justice and cultural understanding through the arts, education and community action.

YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE AT WWW.LAPENA.ORG.

Ways to help: Become a monthly sustainer; volunteer; include La Peña in your will; donate goods and services; send us your unused BART tickets; join Escrip. For more information, call Nadine at 510-849-2568 ext. 12 or email nadine@lapena.org.

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